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LOCAL NEWS

Personals and Happenings of Interest Gathered for The Democrat's Many Readers.

THURSDAY.

Alma Wilson of Princeton is in the city.

Hamp Wysong and Ed Dowell are in the country today on business.

Miss Mable McKinney of Sherman is the guest of relatives in the city.

Wesley Horn a popular and prosperous farmer of west Collin is in the city on business.

... a prominent merchant of Vineland is in our city today on business.

Mr. Marion Warden is moving today from his home-place to Mrs. Markham's, on North Tennessee street.

Surveyor Shirley was officially engaged near Engleman yesterday surveying a late purchase of land of E. A. Newsome.

Mrs. H.A. McDonald left this morning for Ardmore, where she goes to attend the funeral of her little grandchild.

Charlie Phelps the old cabman left this morning for Sherman where he will drive a cab for Ritner, the livery man of that city.

R. F. Carley and Mrs. Della Bevelle, who live near Plano, were married at the H. & T. C. depot this afternoon, Eld. John McKinney officiating.

Mr. and Mrs. Walton, Mesdames Norvell, Fred Emerson and little daughter accompanied Mrs. Norvell, who has been visiting here the past week, to her home at Dallas this morning.

There is scarcely any cotton in the field in Collin county but there is several thousand bales to be marketed yet as was highly proven by the way she rolls into our city when we have anything like a pretty day, for instance, yesterday at one time the square was almost covered with wagons loaded with cotton.

Asa Powell, Sam Cecil, Jim Corbett W. D. Vaughn and Oscar M. Love returned today from the army with honorable discharges. They came from company C. and are looking well, hale and hearty.

A Happy Marriage.

At about two o'clock this afternoon two couple were spied wending their way toward the court house, when a number of the boys seemed by intuitive inspiration to divine their intentention and dropped in their wake and followed them directly to the clerk's office, were they secured the desired papers while the eager crowd looked on with baited breath. No sooner had the handsome procured the paper than he called for some one to officiate and Will Walden, the affable deputy soon produced Judge Terrell who tied the knot in short order, and the happy young couple went on their way rejoicing. The contracting parties were Mr. Byrd Lee and Miss Lottie Provence of Walnut Grove.

A Happy Marriage.

This afternoon at one o'clock Mr J. W. Snavely and Mrs. Hendrix of Anna were united in the holy bonds of matrimony at M. Aron & Co's dry goods emporium. The happy couple were in search of some one to officiate when they dropped into this popular place and made known their wishes, whereupon the ever alert Ben Oats sprang forward and offered his humble services in securing the right man. He was dispatched post haste and returned in a few minutes with Eld. Hallum who, in a short and solemn ceremony, tied the knot. Immediately after the ceremony the pious Myer Smith with his copious mustache floating in the breeze was first to extend the hand of hearty congratulations and to give them his blessings, whereupon all the occupants of the store followed suit, and when it was all over Ben Oats said, in a boastful manner: "the first couple I ever married in my life.

FRIDAY.

Mrs. Virgil Taylor of Plano is the guest of the Misses Page.

J. L. Jellison of Missouri is here on business.

Mrs. J. B. Vernon of Bonham is visiting her sister, Mrs. J. H. Newton.

Prof. Wanek is wearing a broad smile and when the reporter asked him what was the matter the smile grew broader and brighter and he said: "A new musician at our house.

Mr. T. M. McDaniels, our genial knight of the grip, left this morning for Dumas, Ark., where he goes to attend the funeral of his mother, who died there yesterday.

A. C. Hutchins, the old exconfederate whom the Courier mentioned a few days since as being sick and helpless with his family on Wilson creek is being brought to town today, and efforts will be made to secure him a comfortable home till he gets well. He and his family are worthy objects of charity and the good people of McKinney will not fail to provide for them as the need.

Mayor Pearson, Councilmen T. B. Wilson, H. A. McDonald, Marshal Sam Burks, contractor M. P. Kelly and Engineer N. Werenskiold, returned last night from Rusk, where they went to inspect and select the iron tiling for McKinney's new water works system. They report a most enjoyable trip and are highly pleased with the quality of material procured. Mayor Pearson showed us a piece of one of the pipes to be used here. It is of cast iron cooled in a bath of waterproof, tar paint and should last forever and allow three days of grace.

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For Infants and Children.
The Kind You Have Always Bought
Bears the Signature of Chas. H. Fletcher

SATURDAY.

Dr. Erwin is in Sherman today.

W. A. Parker of Bethany is in the city.

Doc Hill left yesterday for Chicago with six car loads of cattle.

Mit Broad of Murphy is in the city today on business.

J. Perry Burrus returned last nigh from a business trip to Dallas.

John Hill who has been to Chicago with cattle returned last evening.

Miss Dudley of Plano is the guest of her sister, Mrs. Wallace Hughston.

I. C. West representing Scarff & O'Conner of Dallas is in the city today.

Rev. A. B. Perry of Dallas will preach at St. Peter's church Sunday morning.

The cabmen are using four horses to pull their vehicles through the mud today.

Miss Cora Caldwell of Climax is visiting her brothers, Drs. A. J. and J. A. Caldwell.

George Wilson returned from Kansas City last night, where he went with cattle.

Miss Norma Page, attnding school at Oak Cliff, came home today to spend the holidays.

The Clerk's office has undergone a general cleaning out and presents a clean cosy appearance today.

Rev. A. B. Perry of Dallas will conduct both the morning and eveneng services at the St. Peter's church in the absence of Rev. J. H Galbraith who will fill Rev. Perry's pulpit in Dallas.

Mayor Pearson today received a letter from N. Werenskiold the engineer who surveyed and planed our water works system and he pronounces the pipe being made at Rusk for us first-class.

The infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Milligan, of near Milligan school house, died Thursday night and was buried yesterday at Forest Grove cemetery.

Although the weather was very disagreeable the ladies Bazaar was well patronized yesterday and we learn the profits were one hundred and ninetyfive dollars besides the income from the supper which amount we fail to learn today. The ladies are very well pleased with the sales and are thankful for the liberal patronage bestowed upon their earnest efforts.

S. J. B. Plemmons who went to Dallas to attend the K. T. commandry returned yesterday and reports that the session did not convene on account of bad weather.

Parsnip Complexion.

It does not require an expert to detect the sufferer from kidney trouble. The hollow cheeks, the sunken eyes, the dark, puffy circles under the eyes, the sallow parsnip-colored complexion indicates it.

A physician would ask if you had rheumatism, a dull pain or ache in the back or over the hips, stomach trouble, desire to urinate often, or a burning or scalding in passing it; if after passing there is an unsatisfied feeling as if it must be at once repeated, or if the urine has a brick dust deposit or strong odor.

When these symptoms are present, no time should be lost in removing the cause.

Delay may lead to gravel, catarrh of the bladder, inflammation, causing stoppage, and sometimes requiring the drawing of the urine with instruments, or may run into Bright's Disease, the most dangerous stage of kidney trouble.

Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root, the great discovery of the eminent kidney and bladder specialist, is a positive remedy for such diseases. Its reputation is world-wide and it is so easy to get at any drug store that no one need suffer any length of time for want of it.

However, if you prefer to first test its wonderful merits, mention THE DEMOCRAT and write to Dr. Kilmer & Co., Binghamton, N. Y. for a sample bottle and book telling all about it, both sent absolutely free by mail.

Hon. Jno. Church returned yesterday from a business trip to the north.

B. R. Wall of Grape Vine was in the city on business yesterday.

Mrs. Mable McKinney has accepted a position with the long distant telephone company at Sherman.

Mrs. Hight who moved from here several months ago to live in south Texas returned to her old home yesterday and will remain.

Mrs. Homer Murry who has been visiting in the city returned to her home at Plano yesterday afternoon.

Ray Kirkpatrick had the misfortune to fall and dislocate his shoulder this morning at his home. The injury while not very serious is painful. A doctor was called and at this writing he is resting very well. It will pay every one to be very careful this kind of weather.

J. T. Lewis of Plano has purchased a half interest in Jack Lane's barber shop and has moved his family here. Mr. Lewis is a pleasant gentleman and a first class barber and we extend him welcome and wish him success.

Will Reed who has been with the firm of W. S. Knight here for some time left for Denison last evening, where he continues in the employ of the above firm there.

Tuck Hill brought a nice drove of young Hereford cattle from Denton yesterday and they are beauties.

The Rush-Light Club

Despite the cold and disageeable weather every Rush-Light responded to roll-call "how Christmas is observed here and everywhere" at the home of the Misses Brooke on Hunt street.

The numbers of the program were rendered as follows: History, Miss Pearson; music, Miss Nenney; discusion, "Should the United States extend her Territorial possessions," led by Misses abernathy and Wofford. To say that the discussion was wildly exciting feebly expresses it. We went ahead with plenty of assurance and knowledge of this subject and when time was called we were loath to leave this interesting question. We enjoyed a short general aftermath that all such meetings provoke and adjourned to meet January 5th with Miss Abernathy.

The Edelweiss.

The Edelweiss club met on last Thursday afternoon with Mrs. Fred Emerson. Roll call was answered by giving a short talk on Interesting people. Ella Wheeler Wilcox, Empress of China; Hobson, author of Quo Vadis, and several others of note were talked about.

After all business, the following program was carried out:

History review, conducted by Mrs. William Hill.

Drill on Parliamentary rules, Mrs. Dink Estes.

Analysis of Ella Wheeler Wilcox's Maurine, Mrs. Weisman.

Transformation from trail to rail, Mrs. Frank Emerson.

Lesson, Mrs. Edwin L. Burton.

All members are requested to be present the fourth Thursday with Mrs. Dink Estes.

A Sad Death.

A. C. Hutchins the gentleman whom the Courier mentioned a few days since and yesterday as being sick of consumption and his family in need died this morning at four o'clock after being brought here yesterday from Wilson creek to the city. He died surrounded by his devoted family and newly made friends. His last moments seemed peaceful and happy and he sank into the icy arms of death as softly and sweetly as the sun sinks behind the western sky. Mr. Hutching was virtually a stranger among us though by some of the ex-Confederates he was once well known, having fought under Capt J. S. Dowell at the battle of Fredericksburg and doing service continually in his company during the civil war. He will be burried this afternoon at 3 o'clock at Pecan Grove cemetery by Throckmorton Camp 109 ex-Confederate.

An Exciting Episode.

At noon to day a friendly little unfriendly misunderstanding took place between two brothers on the northwest corner of the square. The trouble came up over a horse or rather under a horse to which both parties laid claim. It seems that the older brother had purchased a horse and couldn't pay for it and had turned the horse over to his father and younger brother to be theirs if they would pay for it which they claim they did and which the older one firmly denies, further affirming that he had paid his own money for the animal and proceeded to take the horse from the wagon the younger one was driving, whereupon the difficulty waxed warm especially as there was so much mud in the case and they verified the old adage: "Nothing sticketh closer than a brother." after a great crowd had gathered the sheriff came up and the matter was amicably settled without any serious consequences.

Tribute of Respect.

IN MEMORY OF J. P. DOWELL.

To the officers and members of Empire Lodge, No. 68, I. O. O. F., McKinney, Texas:

We, the committee selected to formulate an expression of the sense of this lodge upon the death of Brother J. P. Dowell, which occurred at his home in this city on December 2nd, 1898, in sorrow submit:

That each individual member of this Lodge feels that he has suffered a personal loss in the death of our brother, and that the lodge and the order have been deprived of a most working and exalted exponent of its cardinal precepts and principles.

As we loved this dear brother in his lifetime for his fraternal and manly virtues, so will we cherish the bequest he leaves us in dying,—a legacy of inspiration in the memory of his lovable character, graced with tender sympathy and all-embracing generosity—stimulating us to nobler lives as men and Odd Fellows.

The condolence of this lodge is extended to the family of our brother, who have suffered in common with us and the community, — but in a closer and greater degree—a crushing and irreparable loss.

We recommend that a full page of the minute book be set apart for this tribute of respect, that a copy be furnished the family of our departed brother and that the city papers be requested to copy. Respectfully submitted

T. J. NALE,
J. R. GOUGH,
JOHN CHURCH,
Committee.

Letter From Company C, Fourth Texas

Camp Mosby, San Antonio, Texas, Dec. 14th, 1898.—The hand of freedom has again been stretched forth toward Company C, this time liberating six more of its members from the chains of military bondage, and no sooner were the clanking of the severed links heard to issue forth upon the ozone burdened air of San Antonio than the emancipated patriots (?) could be seen striking a bee-line for McKinney and better grub. They are, Sam Cecil, Oscar Love, Asa Powell, Will Vaughn, James Corbett and Wm. Powell. The latter's parents live at Whitewright where he will return and make his home.

Second Lieutenant C. C. Provine left today for McKinney on seven days leave, with permission to apply for a ten day's extension.

The regiment had its eighth death to occur yesterday. The deceased soldier's name was Chas. O. McClure, a member of Company G, who died of typhoid fever after an illness of seventy days. The remains were expressed to his former home at Eastland, Texas, today for burial.

First Lieutenant Hugh F. McDonald returned from Houston Saturday, where he and Sergeant Will Abernathy attended the Masonic Grand Lodge. The latter proceeded from Houston to McKinney where he will spend the holiday season at home.

Colonel Edmonds and Lieut-Colonel Hardy returned this morning from a trip to Washington. As to the nature of their errand or as to what they accomplished effecting the regiment no one knows as they have not given anything out yet to their sub-ordinates.

Last Friday numbered another pay day for the Fourth.

The soldiers were astonished this morning when they came forth from their tented homes at reveille to see old mother earth gently resting under a two or three inch mantle of snow which fell sometime during the night. A slight fall continued most of the day, but the earth was too damp for its retention and it is rapidly melting. The soldiers had a glorious time snow-balling today and few in camp avoided their vigilant assaults, But the natives up town went "hog wild" over the snow, as though it were a rare thing indeed to them. Several pedestrians were forced to pull their guns for their protection and stand off the fearful on-slaughts. One lieutenant who had been very roughly pelted hastened out to camp and importuned the colonel to let him lead the entire regiment against the merciless "savages and subjugate them.

Captain James F. Rhea has quit the offieer's mess and is now "chucking" with his company again.

Arthur N. Melton departed for home Saturday, where he will visit his parents and spend the holidays.

Sidney Negbauer is Company C's new postmaster and makes a painstaking one.

As stated last week, Jim Crockett finally got started as attendent with 100 head of horses that were shipped from Fort Sam Houston for Utah. The destination of the horses is Fort Du Chesne, to which place Jim will take them and then return to Camp Mosby.

Jim Reasonover of Company E, 1st Texas Volunteer Infantry, partook of the hospitality of his old Collin friends at Camp Mosby Monday. His command is stationed at Savannah, from which place he confidently expects to soon take his departure for Cuba. W. B. W.

FROM THE PECOS VALLEY.

Items of Interest From Roswell New Mexico.

Roswell N. M. Dec. 13.—Will write some more from this place if you can find room in your paper for it. We take great pleasuse in reading The Courier as it gives the best local news of any paper in McKinney. Well I have been promoted since I wrote you last and am now night coal heaver for the P. V. R. R. and my run is from the coal car to the pump. We are having some beautiful snow now and as dry as August in McKinney. We are doing fine and live in a dobe and if you would know all about the comforts of a dobe see Mr. Aimp Hill, he can tell you. We have all gained in health but me and I have lost 35 lbs. but feel O. K. There is lots of work here now of all sorts and labores are scarce; so is wood. It sells for $12 a cord in bad weather or an average of $6 all the time. Duck hunting is fine. I was out the other day about two miles from home and after shooting all the ducks I wanted I decided to shoot some jack rabbits and ran upon a herd of antelope that had come to the river for water. Now (if) I had had a winchester rifle instead of a winchester shot gun and no. six shot I would have sent the editor of the Courier an antelope. They ran by me and I shot six shots at them but being a-foot I could not catch up with the six I killed (?) I saw Mr. Walcott the other day at his home which he is improving. I also see Dr. Webb once in a while. He is doing well here. Messrs. ...mmins and Hedgcoxe are all ...ell as far as I can learn. Real estate still goes up as does house rent also. We learned through the Courier of Bro. J. P. Dowell's death. It was a sad shock to his friends here and a great loss to his family and his town. The charity dependent people that came his way were never turned away empty handed, and that is more than can be said of many who are able to assist their fellow man and don't. We should follow the example of Bro. Dowell and be more liberal towards the worthy cause of charity. With best wishes for the Courier and McKinney. E. K. Thompson.

W. S. KNIGHT,

The One Price Spot Cash Merchant

We are having a rushing trade in spite of the bad weather. Holidays are coming and we still have a great many bargains that we are compelled to close out during the month of December

IT WILL PAY YOU TO SEE OUR FINE LINE OF CAPES AND FURNISHING GOODS BEFORE PURCHASING ELSEWHERE. WE ALSO HAVE A LARGE STOCK OF CLOTHING THAT WE WILL CLOSE OUT AT A GREATLY REDUCED PRICE.

Good as Gold Bleach Dom....5c
Best Sea Island Dom...5c
Good Sea Island Brown Dom..4c
Good Calico....2½c
Standard Oil Red Calico...3½c
Best Standard Calico 4c
Big lot Remnant Calico at half price.
Good cotton Chex....2½c
Heavy Cotton Chex....4c
Fine Cheviot cotton chex for 5c
Good Heavy Jeans....12½c
Extra Heavy Jeans....20c
Table Oil Cloth, Best quality....10c
Good Waterproof....38c.
Heavy blue Duck....10c
Extra Quality Small Chex Gingham 5c
Fine Dress Style Gingham....5c
Yd wide L. L. Domestic....3½c
Good cotton Flannel....4c
Heavy Cotton Flannel....7c
Nice quality white flannel....15c
Fine heavy all wool twilled red flannel....12 1-2c
150 large 10-4 Blankets gray and white 50c pair.
100 Large Blankets worth 1.25 for 75c
100 extra heavy blankets worth 1.75 for 1.00.
We also have a fine line of comforts.
Fine line yd wide Percals....5c
20 pieces dress style outing, worth 10c reduced to....$ 1-3c.
10 pieces heavy mottled flannel....10c
Random wool underwear going at 50c per suit.
Men's heavy undershirts for....25c.
Men's heavy fleece lined underwear for 75c per suit.
Men's heavy wool undershirts for 75c
Mens heavy all wool drawers for 50c
Men's heavy cotton flannel drawers 25c
Men's heavy wool sox for....15c
Ladies wool hose....15c
Men's good business suits....2.50
Men's Cashmere suits....3.50
Men's fancy brown suits for....6.50
Men's fine all wool Clay worsted suits for....6.50
Men's Black clay worsted suits reduced from 10.00 to....8.50
Mens black clay worsted suits for 5.00
Youth's heavy winter suits for....2.50
Youth's heavy Cashmere suits....3.50
Men's heavy braded Jeans pants..75c
Men's Everyday pants....75c
Men's Fine Quality Sunday Pants 1.00
Child's knee pants....15c
Child's knee pants extra heavy....25c
Child's heavy wool suits....1.00
Child's heavy all wool knee suits 1.50
Childs Jersey suits, all wool....1.50
Mens Mackintoshes going at....1.50
Heavy quality....2.50
Heavy Overcoats at....3.50
A good fine comb for....5c
2 papers brass pins....5c
5 papers iron pins....5c
2 dozen safety pins for....5c
A good coarse comb for....5c
10 spools thread for....25c
5 papers needles for....5c
Heavy cotton elastic for....5c
Ladies sleeve vests....for 15c
Children's Klondike union suits....50c
Ladies heavy grey hose....$ 1-3c
Ladies black hose....5c pr
Ladies fine black hose for....5c.
Ladies heavy ribbed vests for....25c
Ladies heavy union suits....50c
Ladies fine dress skirts for....1.00
Ladies heavy black skirts worth 2.50 for....1.50
Ladies fine kid shoe worth 1.50 for 1.00
Mens oil grain congress shoes....1.00
Mens Sunday shoe for....1.00
Ladies heavy glove grain button shoe worth 1.00 for....85c
Ladies fine dongola shoe for....75c
Big line baby Shoes for....25c
Childrens heavy shoes....75c
Boys heavy buckle shoes for....75c
Childrens heavy braded shoes for ..85c
Mens heavy kip boot....1.50
Mens fine Hamilton & Brown, guaranteed, boots for....2.50
Large shipments of men's hats just received.
We have an elegant line of mens black hats crush style, for....1.00
Mens wool hats for....75c
Mens and boys caps....25c

Call at our store and we will show you just what we advertise. All goods that are not as represented bring them back and we will refund your money.

Very respectfully,

W. S. KNIGHT,

SOUTH SIDE SQUARE. McKINNEY, TEXAS.

THE DEMOCRAT

THURSDAY, DEC. 22, 1898

P. C. THOMPSON, Editor and Proprietor.
WALTER B. WILSON, Local Editor.

God Give Us Men.

"Men whom the spoils of office will not buy,
Men who have opinions and a will,
Men who have honor, men who will not lie."

Our Editorial Platform.

We will speak out, we will be heard,
Though all earth's systems crack,
We will not bate a single word,
Nor take a letter back.

We speak the truth, and what care we
For hissing and for scorn,
While some faint gleamings we can see
Of freedom's coming morn?

Let liars fear, let cowards shrink,
Let traitors turn away,
Whatever we have dared to think
That dare we also say.
—James Russell Lowell.

At the Opera House.

The entertainment given at the opera house last evening by the Hawthorne students was greeted by a splendid audience and till the electric lights were totally extinguished the program progressed nicely, but before half the play was over the lights went out and the audience was left where Moses was (in the dark) and the fun was stopped. The managers, however, were not to be out done and determined to have the entertainment over and as the audience passed out tickets were returned to them and at an early date the entertainment with several changes and new features will be given again. So far as the play went last night every one seemed pleased.

An Interesting Letter From Savannah.

Camp Onward, Savannah, Ga., Dec. 18, '98,—President McKinley and his cabinet together with their wives and a number of prominent officials and citizens of Washington arrived here from the Peace Jubilie at Atlanta yesterday morning, and the remaining force of the 7th army corps was treated to another of those grand reviews yesterday. Only about 12,000 troops are in the city now since the second division departed for Cuba, and yesterday's display, while eminently more brilliant, had by no means as many performers as similar reviews held here before.

We, of the 1st Texas, have thought until the last few days that we would be in Cuba ere this occasion, but to our dismay we have had no orders to move, and were offered the extreme privilege yesterday of seeing the nations chief executive and the heads of all the various departments.

The President and party are visiting the camps and hospitals today and will review the troops, and will visit the camps at Macon and Augusta before returning to Washington.

There is considerable talk of the 1st Texas being mustered out soon, but absolutely nothing is known about the future as yet. Most of the boys are willing to go to Cuba but will regret very much to have to stay in camp here all winter.

Stomo Chambers was again taken to the hospital Tuesday, in a precarious condition, and his recovery is yet in doubt.

Jim Reas is over arrived yesterday from the hospital at San Antonio, Texas, where he has been since leaving McKinney the 25th of last month. He is much improved and has reported for duty.

Hayworth of McKinney, in Co I, has been in the regimental hospital a week with malarial fever, but is fast improving. C.C.W.

Mother of a Multitude.

On the death of Regina Diexna, which recently occurred at Werschetz, in south Hungary, at the age of 111 years, her relatives inserted the following notice in a local paper: "Filled with grief, we inform all relatives and friends of the decease, on Aug. 22, of our beloved mother, mother-in-law, grandmother, great-grandmother, great-great-grandmother and great-great-great-grandmother." This was signed by 3 sons, 2 daughters, 35 grandchildren, 90 great-grandchildren, 12 of the fourth and 3 of the fifth generation.—New York Tribune.

Dyspepsia Made Her a Physical Wreck

Great Cure by Hood's Sarsaparilla —Sufferer Throws Down Her Crutches and Finds Herself Able to Do Her Work.

"For a long time I suffered with dyspepsia, and medicines failed to relieve me. Finally I began to break out in sores and became a physical wreck. No one can imagine what I suffered. My friends advised me to try Hood's Sarsaparilla, saying they believed it was the best medicine in the world. I began taking it and soon found relief. After taking three bottles of Hood's Sarsaparilla I threw down my crutches and was able to do my work." Miss. CLEOPA PARSONS, 320 West Washington St., Greenville, Texas. Get only Hood's because

Hood's Sarsaparilla

Hood's Pills are the best after dinner pills. Sold by all druggists. 25c. Prepared only by C. I. Hood Co., Lowell, Mass. Send for book to

SENATOR TELLER ON EXPANSION.

He Says the United States Is Doing Right to Buy the Philippines.

SAME WAS DONE WITH MEXICO.

Believes In Granting All the Rights of Citizenship to Filipinos If They Are Worthy.

DEWEY SAYS THEY CAN BE CONTROLLED.

Mr. Proctor Read Parts of a Letter From the Hero of Manila Bay, In Which That Statement Was Made.

Washington, Dec. 21.—At the opening of the session of the house yesterday Mr. Cannon called up the conference report of the army and navy deficiency bill. He moved the adoption.

Mr. DeArmond asked whether the appropriation balance of $50,000,000 to be expended under the direction of the president would in any way sanction or authorize the payment out of that fund of $100,000 each to Mr. Reid and Judge Day for services on the peace commission. Mr. Cannon said he knew nothing about it and on his statement of this reappropriation made no change authorizing such an expenditure. The report was adopted.

The house then took up the agricultural appropriation bill.

The house resolution, providing for the adjournment of congress from Dec. 21 to Jan. 4 was adopted without division by the senate.

Mr. Teller, in the course of his remarks in the senate, said the purchase of territory from Mexico after the Mexican war was parallel with the recent purchase from Spain. In that case Mexico was prostrate at our feet and we said we want some of your territory and we will pay you for it. We held it first by conquest and then by purchase. "No matter what was the provocation, for that was the case. It was a great, grand acquisition," he said, "secondly the Louisiana purchase which made American purchase possible. This is what we proposed to do with Spain. We had conquered her and now proposed to purchase some of her territory and and pay her $20,000,000, a mere bagatelle." Mr. Teller said he would ask the people of the Philippines what they wanted in the way of government and give it to them. The sooner the people governed themselves the better. He believed the people of Luzon were capable of self-government. In answer to the question by Mr. Tillman he said we would not permit revolutions like those which occurred in South America.

Mr. Proctor read a letter from Admiral Dewey saying the people of the Philippines can be easily governed. He also read a portion of a letter from an army officer to the same effect. Admiral Dewey's letter said he had not the slightest difficulty in dealing with the Filipinos.

Mr. Teller said that he would have the people given all the encouragement possible, and if they developed qualities of statehood he would grant them that.

Mr Gallinger of New Hampshire favorably reported Mr Proctor's resolution providing for a committee of senators to visit Cuba and Porto Rico, with a view of ascertaining the condition of the islands, but on Mr. Hale's objection for present consideration, the resolution was placed on the calendar.

The bill authorizing General A. E. Bates, of the United States army, to accept the decoration of the Legion of Honor, conferred upon him by the president of the French republic was passed.

INCREASED EARNINGS.

Financial Statement of Southern Pacific Company Shows Satisfactory Results.

San Francisco, Dec. 21.—The financial statement issued by the Southern Pacific company shows that for the month of October the gross earnings of the company reached $5,556,726. This is an increase of $1,125,091 over the same month last year. For four months ending with October 31, last, the gross earnings aggregated $20,098,223, an increase of $1,336,920 over the corresponding period last year. During the fiscal year ending June 30, 1898, the increased gross earnings were about $7,000,000 over the figures for 1897.

The company has placed with eastern firms contracts for new cars and locomotives aggregating in value about $2,000,000.

Colonel Osborn Dead.

New York, Dec. 21.—Colonel Thomas Ward Osborn is dead at his home in this city, aged 65. He won distinction at the battles of Chancellorsville and Gettysburg. After the war he was chief of the freedman's bureau in the south and subsequently United States senator from Florida.

Henreaux Reported Assassinated.

Paris, Dec. 21.—A dispatch from Cape Haytien says it is rumored that the Dominican president, Ulysse Henreaux, has been assassinated while attending a christening incognitio.

Locomotive Explosion.

Princeton, Ind., Dec. 21.—The boiler of engine No. 68, of the northbound passenger train on the Evansville and Terre Haute, exploded as the train was pulling into King's station, three miles south of here. Engineer Archer was blown through the cab window, but received no serious injuries. Fireman Spindler was found under the rear passenger coach and is seriously scalded and otherwise injured. The air was turned on in order to make the stop and immediately the explosion occurred. Both ends of the boiler were blown out, and the mail car attached damaged to some extent.

Northern Pacific Consolidated.

New York, Dec 21.—President A. E. Stilwell of the Kansas City, Pittsburg and Gulf says that arrangements have been concluded for a consolidation of the company's three northern branches, the Kansas City and Northern, connecting the Omaha, Kansas City and Eastern and the Omaha and St. Louis. The consolidation will probably be known as the Chicago, Kansas City and Gulf. Trackage rights will be obtained over the roads entering Chicago, so that only [illegible]

THE FIRST TO KICK.

Mayor Perry Opposes the Care of Confederate Graves.

Somerville, Mass., Dec. 21.—Mayor A. A. Perry, a member of Willard C. Kinsley post 139, Grand Army of the Republic, has written a letter to the post severely condemning that portion of President McKinley's address at Atlanta suggesting that it would be proper for the government to assist in caring for and the preservation of Confederate cemeteries. The letter says:

"Perhaps it is better for me to stay away from the Grand Army of the Republic gatherings for a little time, at least until I recover from the shock of the statement lately made by President McKinley at Atlanta. I love the south and her people and no one rejoices more than I at the splendid spectacle of a reunited country presented during the recent war with Spain. But I cannot believe that it is the duty of the nation to give the same attention to the graves of the men who sought to destroy it as to the resting places of those who died for its preservation. God forbid that any word should come from my lips or pen calculated to revive the sad memories of the past. Let us extend the warm hand of fellowship to our southern brothers. Let us give to them ungrudgingly our love. But let us not do any act or approve any policy from which future generations may infer that the great American republic in the closing years of the nineteenth century had become so blind that she could not distinguish between her saviors and her would-be destroyers."

Indorses McKinley's Declaration.

Dubuque, Ia., Dec. 21.—Hyde Park post of the Grand Army of the Republic has unanimously endorsed President McKinley's Atlanta declaration that the time had arrived when the Federal government should assist the southern states in caring for the graves of the Confederate dead. A copy of the resolution was telegraphed to the president at Augusta, Ga. Hyde Park post is the first in the country to act on the president's proposition.

Another Indorsement.

Lancaster, Pa., Dec. 21.—Stevens post 157, Grand Army of the Republic of Lititz has endorsed the president's speech relating to government caring for the graves of the Confederate dead, and requested Congressman Brosius to use his influence to bring about national legislation to carry into effect the president's sentiment.

Luther Lamberth Dead.

Abilene, Tex., Dec. 21.—Luther Lamberth, who was wounded by the accidental discharge of a target rifle, is dead. This is the second death in Abilene in a little more than a year from this cause, the rifles in each instance being in the hands of boys who were too young to appreciate the danger sufficiently to exercise due care in handling them.

Thousands of Soldiers Killed.

London, Dec. 21.—A dispatch from Shanghai says a powder magazine situated in the center of the Chinese camp at Hang Chow exploded, leveling a square mile of houses. It is estimated that 6000 soldiers were killed, including the general commanding the forces. The American and French missions are supposed to have been damaged, but it is said there were no fatalities among the Americans.

Drowned In Palo Pinto Creek.

Gordon, Tex., Dec. 21.—Mrs. J. T. Ham was drowned in Palo Pinto creek. She was about 70 years of age. Her husband was away from home at the time.

Got Two Years.

Houston, Dec. 21.—In the criminal district court here Charles Peregoy, for theft of a typewriter, got two years in the penitentiary.

NEWS IN BRIEF.

A draw bridge weighing 215 tons was moved a distance of 250 feet and placed upon new piers in less than three hours at Milwaukee, Wis.

E. B. Bonner and Emmett Landry are building a $10,000 shingle mill at Beaumont, Tex.

By the death of an uncle, Dr. E. D. Porter of Memphis; Mrs. Robert Benedict and Thomas Pride of Sturgis, Ky., fall heir to an estate worth $30,000.

F. G. Logan, a well known board of trade man, of Chicago, has given $35,000 to the Art Institute, for the erection of a library building as an addition to the institute.

Rewards have been offered for Rev. William Gill, missing from Brownsville, Tex. His wife and children remained in San Francisco when he became rector at Brownsville, nearly a year ago.

At Elwood, Ind., a sensation has been created by the strange disappearance of Bessie Jones, aged 18, of whom no trace can be found.

James Griffin, aged 28, and unmarried, was crushed to death under a falling telephone pole at Bristol, Tenn.

At Richmond, Ky., Henry Giles was acquitted of the murder of Joe Ratliffe. The crime was committed July 4, two years ago, and this was the third trial.

William Schredrick, 14 years old, at Carlinville, Ills., attempted to jump on a train, but slipped under the caboose and was literally cut to pieces.

Frank Gray, who killed his father-in-law, Robert Russell, in Christian county, Mo., last summer, was pronounced insane by the trial court at Ozark.

Rev. B. F. Beddinger, late superintendent of the Presbyterian Home missions in Alabama, has been appointed superintendent of the Palmer Orphanage at Columbus, Miss., which has just been completed.

Bank Burglars Recaptured.

Wabash, Ind., Dec. 21.—James Ward, the bank burglar, arrested at North Manchester two months ago for blowing open the vault of the Flora bank, getting $9000, and who, with Charles Hunt, was incarcerated for grand larceny, sawed out of the Carroll county jail Friday night, were captured in Miami county. Hunt was also located in the same county and, with Ward, was taken back to Delphi.

Two Men Rob a Train in Mississippi, but Are Unsuccessful.

Grenada, Miss., Dec. 21.—Illinois Central train No. 1, southbound, was held up one-half mile south of Pope's station by two men at 10:30 o'clock last night. They suddenly appeared on the engine and compelled the engineer to stop, after which they went back and attempted to break in the express car door. They fired several shots, but failed to gain admission. The robbers then fled, obtaining nothing, and making no attempt to rob the passengers. No one was hurt.

THE EXIT OF SPANISH TROOPS.

Will Wind Up the Evacuation In Cuba by the First of the Year.

SOME STARS AND STRIPES RAISED.

The Flag of Liberty Hoisted Over Fort Atares, In Sight of the Wrecked Maine.

THE FIRST TEXAS GOING TO HAVANA.

Part of the Regiment Is Embarking on the Transport Michigan, and the Remainder Will Leave Next Sunday.

Havana, Dec. 21.—Captain General Castellanos has informed the American general, Clouse, that the evacuation of Havana would be complete on or before Jan. 1 next. Fourteen transports are due to arrive from Spain during the next 10 days. There are 16,000 Spanish troops still in Havana and its environs, but the last few thousand will embark simultaneously.

Spanish troops have begun the evacuation of the northwest wharf of Havana city.

Tomorrow the Spaniards will evacuate the Santa Clara, and Reina batteries, and all the other forts outside of the town. They will be occupied by American troops, but no flags will be hoisted until Jan. 1.

The Spanish sick will remain in the Principe fort for the present, and after Jan. 1, if necessary.

The Spanish transports Notre Dame, with General Estruches and 658 officers and men, and the Lesandres, with 1840 officers and men has sailed for Cadiz.

All the seacoast batteries on the west will be occupied by the American troops tomorrow.

Commodore B. J. Cromwell reported to the United States evacuation commission that he would take over the arsenal and naval property of Spain in Havana after Jan. 1, and be captain of the port.

The Spanish immovable property, according to the inventory, is estimated to be worth about $6,000,000.

Major Russell B. Harrison, with a detachment of the First North Carolina regiment, raised the stars and stripes over Fort Atares in full sight of the wreck of the battleship Maine. Major Harrison as provost of the Seventh corps, is charged to preserve order in Cerro, Atares and Jesus del Monte, suburbs of Havana. Two companies of the Second Illinois regiment and two of the First North Carolina regiments are doing guard duty.

Colonel Moulton and ex-Chief McCullough continue their examination of candidates for the police force. In this matter they are assisted by the advice of General Mario Menocal, the ranking Cuban officer in Havana province. The idea is to have the moral assistance of Cuban chiefs in preserving order.

OFF FOR CUBA.

Part of the First Texas to Leave Savannah For Havana.

Savannah, Ga., Dec. 21.—The Houston light guards, Captain Dick Scurry, Kennedy rifles, Captain McManus, Tom Campbell rifles, Captain Hearne, and the Fannin guards, Captain Murchert, forming the second battalion of the First Texas, Major Thomas Scurry commanding, are on board the transport Michigan, and will sail for Havana today.

Colonel Mabry, now acting brigade commander, and staff, will embark with the Second battallion. The balance of the regiment, with the Second Louisiana, will embark on the transport Mobile Sunday. It is generally conceded that the First Texas regiment will remain in Havana on provost duty on account of the great number who understand Spanish.

Will Purvis Pardoned.

Jackson, Miss., Dec. 21.—Governor McLaurin has pardoned Will Purvis, the famous Maribu county whitecap, who was once unsuccessfully hanged in this state, for the murder of a fellow whitecapper. Purvis' neck was not broken in his fall from the scaffold and owing to the threatening attitude of the crowd around the jail, the sheriff did not make a second attempt to execute his prisoner. Purvis was later rescued by the mob and hidden away for some time, but finally gave himself up to the authorities and his sentence was commuted to life imprisonment.

Samuel Gompers Reelected.

Kansas City, Dec. 21.—Samuel Gompers was reelected president of the American Federation of Labor by a practically unanimous vote at the closing session of the eighteenth annual convention of that organization. Detroit, Mich., was decided upon as the next place of meeting. With the exception of the fourth, fifth and sixth vice presidents the old officers were reelected without any opposition.

Steal Gets Six Years.

Philadelphia, Dec. 21.—Former Cashier William Steele of the wrecked Chestnut Street National bank has been sentenced by Judge Butler in the United States district court to six years and six months imprisonment. Steele was convicted of conspiracy with the late William M. Singerly, president of the bank, in making false entries in the books of the bank and false reports of the bank's condition to the comptroller of the currency and misapplying the funds of the bank.

Four Bodies Recovered.

Newport, R. I., Dec. 21.—Four bodies have been recovered from the ruins of the burned stables of light battery H, Fourth United States artillery, at Fort Adams. The following is a list of the dead: W. F. Butler, Private Frederick W. Hull, Private Henry I. Harris, all of battery H, Seventh artillery, and an unknown private. The half dozen men injured at the fire are doing well.

CASTORIA.
Bears the Signature of Chas. H. Fletcher.

J. J. Crockett, of Co. C. 4th, Texas, has returned from his trip to Utah where he took a bunch of cavalry horses, and expects to spend Christmas in McKinney.

John Donohue who left here several days since for Ennis has been returned and will take night charge of the H. & T. C. ticket office here O. G. Smith will go to Hammond.

The invitations are out for the Christmas Ball and they reflect much credit on their capable designer, Mr. Henry Emerson, as well as on the admirable good taste of the "Hobo Club."

Now is the Opportunity.

To visit the old home. Account of the holidays the M. K. & T. Ry. will sell round trip tickets to points in the Southeast on Dec. 20th. and 21st., good for thirty days from date of sale for return. For further particulars call on the nearest M. K. & T. ticket agent or write. W. G. CRUSH.
G. P. & T. A., M. K. & T. Ry.
Dallas, Texas.

Secret Orders.

Order of Eastern Star, Mrs W B Newsome, W M., A B Carroll, W P Meets 1st and 3d Tuesdays.

Defiance Lodge 28 K of P., Pat Moulden, C C., J M Muse, K of R & S Meets every Tuesday night.

Loya Council, 52 Jr O U A M Scott Allison, C., W L Keen, R S. S. Meets every Friday night in their hall, E. Louisiana street.

Hiawatha Tribe 22 Red Men, G R Smith, Sachem; M E Gerrish, C of R Meets every Thursday night at opera house.

Haggai Chapter 53 R. A. M., John Church, H. P.; B. W. Rhine, Sec Meets every 4th Monday.

Thos. H. Murray Lodge 1057 K & L of H; C H Lake, Prot.; J L Todd Sec. Meets every 2d and 4th Monday nights.

J W Throckmorton Camp 109 U C V, Wm. Abernathy, Com.; C H Lake, Adj't. Meets every 1st Sunday.

St John's Lodge 51 A. F. & A. M John D. Page, W. M., R. F. Dowell, Sec. Meets every 4th Saturday night.

Empire Lodge No. 68 I. O. O. F John Church, N. G.; R. N. Adams Secretary. Meets every Thursday night.

Rebekah Lodge 85 I O O F, Mrs Lula Robinson, N G; Mrs Dr J A Caldwell, Sec. Meets every Friday night.

Lynda Encampment 33 I O O F W N Collier, C. P., Meyer Smith Scribe. Meets 1st and 3d Monday nights.

Magnolia Camp 431 W O W; A J Caldwell, C C; J C Saunders, Clerk. Meets every Monday night at Woodmen's hall, south side square.

Goldenrod Temple No. 16, Rathbone Sisters, meets first, second and third Tuesday afternoons in every month at 3 o'clock, also on fourth Monday at 7 o'clock p.m. Mrs M H Garnett, M E C; Miss Louise Atkinson, M of R and C.

R. R. Time Card

H. & T. C.

North bound.	Cannon ball	5 21 a.m
"	No 3	9:47 a. m
"	No. 15	12:28 p. m
"	No 1	7:50 p. m.
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"	No. 16	8:07 p. m
"	No 4	6:21 p.m.
"	Cannon Ball	10:05 p. m
EAST LINE.		
Passenger leaves.		9:28 a. m.
Local "		2:40 p. m.
Passenger, arrives.		4.55 p.m
Local "		10. 35 a. m

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THE CITY COUNCIL MET.

At a meeting of the Council last night after minor matters had been attended to and the report of the committee which went to Rusk to examine the pipe for our waterworks was heard and approved also that of the engineeer. The Council issued strict orders to Marshal Sam Burks concerning order on our streets during the holidays and the law against the firing of any kind of fire crackers on the streets or public square during the holidays was put in force to the letter and a fine of from one to ten dollars was decided upon as the penalty for such an offence. This is beyond a doubt a course that all the business men and citizens of our city will approve, the firing of fire crackers on the public square and streets is always putting someones life in jeopardy. It frightens teams and causes runaways. It paralyzes business and confuses shoppers.

Holiday Excursions to the South-East.

Are you going on the excursion December 20th. and 21st. If so, see that your ticket reads over the QUEEN & CRESCENT ROUTE from New Orleans or Shreveport, thus assuring you the best possible accommodation, quick time and perfect service.

Remember tickets on sale from Texas points December 20th and 21st to all points in the southeast, good for thirty days. For further information apply to

J. R. McGREGOR, D. P. A.
T. M. HUNT, T. P. A.

Half Rates to the Old States.

Via the M. K. & T. Ry. Account of the holidays round trip tickets will be sold on Dec. 20th and 21st., good for thirty days from date of sale for return. For further particulars call on the nearest M. K. & T. ticket Agent, or write. W. G. CRUSH.
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Notes From Over the County...

Princeton Pick-Ups

Water is plentiful, mud also.

A new boy at the home of W. A. Harrelson.

A. Aycock was in Greenville Monday on business.

A. Evans and family have moved to near Whitewright.

A good many of our farmers still have cotton and corn in the fields.

W. L. O'Gwin has purchased and moved to the Gairhart residence.

Mesdames Mead and R. A. Bishop were shoping in the metropolis Friday.

Fewer men inquiring for work have stopped in our village this year than ever before.

Work has lately been done on the Good Templars and W.O.W. hall, in the way of ceiling.

Mr. and Mrs. James Herrill of Verona visited relatives near Princeton Sunday and Monday.

R. L. Ray and wife were in Princeton recently, and were entertained at the writer's home.

Prof. and Mrs. Kemper and Miss Ruth Sneed attended the Teachers Institute at McKinney last week.

Mrs. York, who was reported in our last communication as being ill with pneumonia, is rapidly recovering.

Rev. J. S. Cameron came out on the train Saturday morning to fill his appointment at the Baptist church, but the rain prevented services.

The last session of the North Texas M. E. Annual Conference sent Rev. Joel S. Graves to a splendid appointment in the Gainesville district, at Sanger, Denton county.

E. W. Hickman and family started for Oklahoma Wednesday. Mr. Hickman had just returned from a prospecting trip, having found a location there. Mr. Turner of Murphy, who purchased his home, moved in last week.

County Superintendent W. M. Erwin visited the two schools of our community Wednesday. He said of Princeton school: "You have a good house, a good teacher and a good school." There are now forty-three scholars enrolled. Long Neek school is also progressing splendidly.

Rev. I. S. Ashburn arrived Friday evening and went out to the home of A. L. Renean. He had appointed first quarterly conference, 1898-'99, for Princeton circuit, to convene at Wilson's Chapel Saturday. The heavy rains that night and next day caused the session to be postponed until Monday, Jan. 16th, when the business will be transacted at Princeton at 1:30 o'clock p. m.

This winter weather and rain is causing disappointment among our people. A nice short program had been arranged to be rendered in connection with the Union Sabbath School Christmas tree, but seems now as if the program nor the tree will materialize. However, if possible, we intend that the children shall not be disappointed in the tree. If they are we hope that Santa Claus will visit each home. J. F. S.

Stiff Chapel Notes.

Doc Ownbey was a juror in the district court last week.

Rev. Faulkner filled his monthly appointment here last Sunday.

Mr. Lawerence Terrill of Viney Grove entered school here last Monday.

W. I. Snow, of our school, visited home folks near Roseland Saturday and Sunday.

Mr. J. B. McCulley and Frigo-Lillie Jones of Brown county visiting at Mrs. Alice Wilson.

Our young people have quite an enjoyable time snowballing, skating etc., but the ice has turned and we are now enjoying the rain and mud.

Mr. Ben Wilson and wife gave a nice dinner at their hospitable home on last Sunday, which was highly enjoyed by quite a number of our young people, and older ones as well.

12-17 '98. W. D. C.

List of Letters

Remaining unclaimed in the postoffice, at McKinney, Tex. Dec. 23, '98, which, if unclaimed, in two weeks, will be sent to Dead Letter Office at Washington, D. C:

LADIES.

Evean Pearle, McGare July, Merrell Maggie, Nickels Rubby, Owens Martha, Tucker I G, Williams N L.

GENTLEMEN.

Alien Odel, Brown John H and Wm Smith, Berket Jim, Cameron W D, Doyle W M, Evins Dave, Eastup F H, Mr Foster, Fomsen Lonso, Genden A S, Lafever R L, Lewis E C, Paterson A, Soing J W, White R, Stiff W W, Wright Rufe, Watkins Bob. Hill C T.

Persons calling for letters on this list must say "advertised" or they may fail to get them.

H. E. SMITH, Postmaster.

T. & P. Rates.

Special low rates tickets to points beyond the Southeastern states will be sold by the Texas & Pacific Railway Company from all stations on its line, December 20 and 21, the same as in former years. It should be borne in mind that passengers have the choice of three gateways via this line in going back to their old homes for Christmas and New Years, namely: New Orleans, Shreveport and Memphis. It is with a feeling of pleasure and pride that we offer you the best passenger service in the South.

If you contemplate making the trip and want to know the cheapest and best way, write to nearest ticket agent or E. P. Turner, General Passenger and Ticket Agent, Texas & Pacific Railway, Dallas, Texas, or to H. P. Hughes Trav. Pass. Agent. Fort Worth, Texas.

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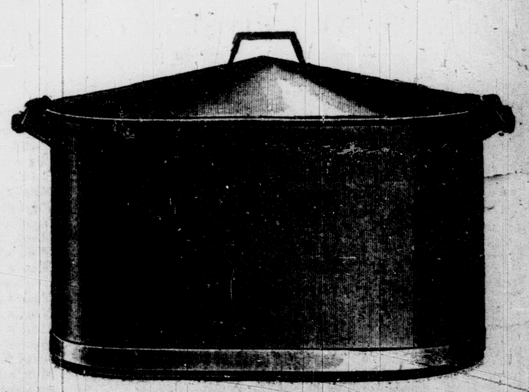

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LOCAL NEWS.

Personals and Happenings of Interest Gathered from The Democrat's Many Readers.

MONDAY.

Morris Feuchtwanger Sundayed in Dallas.

Buy a piano from my new Xmas stock. J. T. Couch.

Martin Gerrish left yesterday for Chicago.

Old papers at this office for sale 25cts per hundred.

Marshal Jno. Rowland of Plano is in the city.

Christmas goods at the Nickel Store.

Bob and Frank Walden Sundayed in Wylie.

Special lot of Xmas fruits and candies at Goostree & Houston's.

Mrs. W. B. Largent is shopping in Dallas today.

For county maps call on J. H. Jenkins.

Lit Johnson is in Dallas on business today.

Young chickens, tender hens and fat roosters at Goostree & Houston's.

J. W. Hamilton went to Plano today on business.

Bargains in organs at J. T. Couch's until Jan. 1st.

Charles Carter of Van Alstyne sundayed in our city.

Fine groceries! At Goostree & Houston's.

Mr. Jno. W. McKinney of Anna is in the city on business.

Old Thompson whiskey 16 years old at City Drug Store

George Russell is able to be up again after a week's severe illness.

T. F. Aster of Promise Citathoy, ex-postmaster Iowa, says: "I bought one bottle of Mystic Cure for Rheumatism, and two doses of it did me more good than any medicine I ever took." Sold by Smith Bros. Drugriste No 4 East Side Square.

Messrs. J. A. and John Walden went to Sherman on business today.

If you are hungry call on T. L. McMennany.

J. J. Anthony of Plano spent the Sabbath with friends in the city.

Celluloid goods and photo albums at the Nickel Store.

Robt. Erwin has excepted a position with Provine the druggist.

A shave and a bath for 25cts at Ed & Will's.

Ed Hinman went to Sulpher Springs yesterday to visit his mother.

Bring your butter and eggs to the Star Restaurant.

Roy Largent is up town today on his crutches. He will soon be well again.

Have your photographs or any nice painting framed with the new moulding at City Drug Store

D. C. Hill shipped four car loads of fine cattle to Chicago yesterday.

TO CURE A COLD IN ONE DAY.

Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. All druggists refund money if it fails to cure. 25c The genuine has L. B. Q. on each tablet.

James M. Kissinger a prosperous painter of near Walnut Grove is in the city today.

Cure Stomach Troubles, Cold Feet and Hands, Excessive Menstrual Flow, with Simmons Squaw Vine Wine or Tablets.

The Nickel Store is the place to get wedding presents.

J. D. Stiff who has been ill at his home for several days is able to be on our streets today.

RHEUMATISM CURED IN A DAY.

"Mystic Cure" for Rheumatism and Neuralgia radically cures in 1 to 3 days Its action upon the system is remarkable and mysterious. It removes at once the cause and the disease immediately disappears The first dose greatly benefits. 75c. Sold by Smith Bros. Druggists No. 4, East Side Square.

A nice line of stationery at the Nickel Store.

J. Day, the jeweler, cleaning watch $1; new mainspring in watch $1. All work guaranteed for twelve months. Shop north of Foote House, McKinney, Tex.

Buy your Xmas whiskies where you get the best and Strictly pure at City Drug Store.

Scholarships for Sale or Trade.

Two business scholarships for sale or trade. Call at this office

We are glad to see Jim Wells on our streets again after a severe spell of fever.

During the holidays get a square meal at T L. McMennany's, first door east of J. P. Dowell's hardware store.

TUESDAY.

G. E. Strother of Anna is here.

Christmas books at the Nickel Store.

Newt Wardlow of Farmersville is here.

The Nickel Store is selling goods cheap—not cheap goods.

F. M. Hill is in Dallas today on business.

Have Goostree & Houston to quote their prices to you.

I. Cohen returned from Dallas last evening.

Square meals and lunches to order at the Star Restaurant.

Fred Ogilvie of Melissa is in the city.

Handsome presents at little cost at The Nickle Store.

W. S. Mahar of Van Alstyne is in the city.

Nice vases at the Nickel Store.

Mrs. J. L. Lovejoy it visiting in Dallas today.

Economy in buying edibles by Goostree & Houston is to ensure economy for their patrons.

Atty. R. T. Shelton of Plano is attending court.

Remember we club THE DEMOCRAT with Texas Farm & Ranch—both papers for $1.50.

Mr. Greer of Comanche is visit friends in the city.

Xmas jugs filled with the very best, a specialty, at City Drug Store.

Beverly Rodgers of Rock Hill is in the city today.

Call and get two good papers for $1.50.

Jack Faires returned from Ft. Worth this morning.

Holiday goods, Pure Old Whisky, Apple Brandy, Peach Brandy, at City Drug Store.

M. E. Pernell went to Plano last evening on business.

Good lamps at the Nickel Store.

Atty. Walker of Van Alstyne is in attendance at the court.

Nice china dishes at the Nickel Store.

L. I. Dreeben returned yesterday from a business trip to Dallas.

Nice dolls at the Nickel Store.

Bob Walden went to Murphy yesterday visiting home folks.

Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy can always be depended upon and is pleasant and safe to take. Sold by City Drug Store.

City Marshal Van Brown of Farmersville is a witness in court today.

To settle the Stomach and Overcome the Nausea of Prospective Mothers, take Simmons Squaw Vine Wine or Tablets.

W. S. Clark inspector for the Postal Telegraph Co. is in our city today.

When you want a shave or a bath go to Ed & Will the barbers. You can get both for 25 cents.

Henry Morgan and Eld. V. R. Stapp of Melissa are here today as witnesses.

Don't miss the greatest chance of your life but call on Goostree & Houston.

G. W. Owens of Dallas, is looking after his lumber interests here today.

If you feel Dull, Languid, Broken-Down, Debilitated have Weak Stomach or Indigestion, use Dr. M. A. Simmons Liver Medicine.

Mrs. Kate Brackeney of Wills Point is the guest of her mother Mrs. Cameron.

Ed & Will the barbers do first-class work. You can get a shave and a bath for 25 cents at their place, west of Foote House,

Prof. Pervin and wife left yesterday to attend the funeral of their cousin at Celeste.

Dr. M. A. Simmons Liver Medicine has since 1840 steadily risen in public favor, and the demand for it far exceeds that of other Liver Medicine.

Mr. Bob Huey and daughter will spend the holidays with relatives at Columbia Tenn.

Largest stock of pure old whiskies, Peach and Apple Brandy, Wines, Gin and Cigars, for Holidays. jug trade a specialty. City Drug Store.

Fount Shrader and mother left today for their old home in Tennessee to spend the holidays.

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221 Commerce st, Dallas. Texas.

P. Northcut left today to visit relatives and to spend the holidays at his old home in Tennessee.

Dr. M. A. Simmons Liver Medicine searches out all Impurities in the System, and expels them harmlessly by the natural channels.

Miss Emma Walden who has been visiting in Wylie returned home today accompanied by Miss Ridout.

The old reliable Nickel Store is the place to get tinware, glassware, queensware and all of the little articles that it takes to furnish a kitchen.

Lunches of all kinds at T. L. McMennany's.

The city school will give a weeks vacation for the holidays while most of the country schools will give no vacation.

THE MODERN MOTHER.

Has found that her little ones are improved more by the pleasant Syrup of Figs, when in need of the laxative effect of a gentle remedy than, than by any other. Children enjoy it and it benefits them. The true remedy, Syrup of Figs, is manufactured by the California Fig Syrup Co. only.

Charlie Anderson of Co. C, 4th Texas, is home on a furlough, having arrived yesterday. He says he left the boys alright.

Pains in the chest when a person has a cold indicate a tendency toward pneumonia. A piece of flannel dampened with Chamberlains Pain Balm ane bound on to the chest over the seat of pain will promptly relieve the pain and prevent the threatened attack of pneumonia. This same treatment will cure a lame back in a few hours. Sold by City Drug Store.

J. H. Cable, of our city, Andrew Martin and wife of Vineland left today for Lebanon Tennessee to spend the holidays with relatives at the old home.

When you are nervous and sleepless, take Hood's Sarsaparilla. It makes the nerves strong and gives refreshing sleep.

Miss Dudley who has been visiting her sister Mrs Wallace Hughston returned to her home at Plano last evening.

If troubled with Dizziness, Furred Tongue, Bitter Taste in Mouth, Bloated Feeling after eating, Constipation or Sick Headache, use Dr. M. A. Simmons Liver Medicine.

McDowell & White's revolving cylinder show window is a novel attraction in its line .Dink Estes, says that it is perpetual motion.

Skin Diseases.

For the speedy and permanent cure of tetter, salt rheum and eczema, Chamberlain's Eye and Skin Ointment is without an equal. It relieves the itching and smarting almost instantly and its continued use effects a permanent cure. It also cures itch, barber's itch, scald head, sore nipples, itching piles, chapped hands, chronic sore eyes and granulated lids.

Dr. Cady's Condition Powders for horses are the best tonic, blood purifier and vermifuge. Price, 25 cents. Sold by City Drug Store.

Next Saturday evening at 7:30 o'clock the Christian Sunday school will have a Christmas tree at their church. Those sending presents are requested to send them in by four o'clock Saturday.

State of Ohio, City of Toledo } ss
Lucas County.
Frank J. Cheney makes oath that he is the senior partner of the firm of F. J. Cheney & Co, doing business in the city of Toledo, county and state aforesaid, and that said firm will pay the sum of One Hundred Dollars for each and every case of catarrh that cannot be cured by the use of Halls Catarrh Cure. Frank J. Cheney.
Sworn to before me and subscribed in my presence, this 6th day of December, A.D. 1886.
SEAL
A. W. Gleason, Notary Public.
Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally and acts directly on the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. Send for testimonials, free.
F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, Ohio.
Sold by druggists 75c. Hall's family Pills are the best.

Goostree & Houston have such nice holiday goods. Their store is quite a novelty,

Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Hinman, who have been visiting their mother at Sulphur Springs, who has been suffering of Neuralgia, returned home last evening.

Mead's Canada Rye, very old and pure, smooth and mellow. Best liquor for medicinal or any any other use, sole agentcy at City Drug Store.

Miss Bessie Mallow and Goodwey Graves with others whose names we failed to learn attended the wedding last evening of Mr. Bob Mallow and Miss Alice Wilson at Allen.

As you go to the Post Office stop at the Nickle Store first door west.

Sole agency Old Thompson, I. W. Harper. Paul Jones, Chase's Barley Malt, Meade's Genuine Canada Rye, whiskies and many other brands, for sale at City Drug Store.

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THE BEST WASHING POWDER

M. DOWELL & WHITE,
DRY GOODS.

WEDNESDAY

Mrs. J. L. Lovejoy returned from Dallas last evening.

Prof. Lane can put more genuine, clean, fresh fun into an hour than any man in the South.—Columbus Enquirer.

Louis Shirley of Melissa is in the city.

Esq. Holt of Blue Ridge is in the city.

Mrs. Dudley Heard is quite sick today.

Avery Dowell made a flying trip to Dallas today.

Mrs. S. O. Scott of Melissa is visiting here today.

Mrs. J. J. Hendrix of Anna is shopping in the city today.

Mrs. Bob King of Melissa is shopping in the city today.

Prof. Chas. Lane fairly discounted Eli Perkins at San Marcos Chautauqua.—San Antonio Express.

Miss Sarah Webb left today for Denton county to spend Xmas.

Mrs. W. B. Largent returned last evening from a pleasant visit to Dallas.

Mr. Marshal Pullian and wife of Melissa are shopping in the city today.

Geo. Megginson, mail clerk on the east line, reports a new mailing clerk at his house today.

Prof. Chas. Lane is the most capable man within our knowledge to fill an audience with uproarious delight.—Nashville American.

Miss Pearl Dowell went to Dallas this morning and will return this evening.

Mr. T. J. Chism has retuurned after a several months business trip to the northwest.

Horace Knott, of Company C. 4th Texas come in last evening on a few days furlough. He is looking well and says the boys are faring well.

The Christian church people have called for their pastor for the next year Eld. Harris of Gainesville. They could have made no better selection. Eld. Harris is a splendid preacher and an elegant gentleman. He will arrive here about the first of the year.

Pains in Head, Neck, Shoulders, Back, Front, Sides, Hips and Limbs are readily cured by Simmons Squaw Vine Wine or Tablets.

Did you ever stop to think? How many nice things there is at D. Goodin's jewelry store that would make beautiful Christmas presents for your friends and loved ones. Here you will find the largest and best stock of jewelry in Collin county to select from.

Grandma Collier who has been suffering of a severe attack of the grip, we are glad to learn, is rapidly improving.

Miss Seldon Fant, of Holly Springs, Miss., is the guest of her brother Mr. E. Fant.

Prof. Chas. Lane would grace any occasion and any platform. He has no superior as a humorist in the South.—Atlanta Constitution.

Miss Mac Marshall, who has been attending school at Oak Cliff returned home last evening to spend the holidays.

As we go to press we learn from Prof. Horn that Prof. Chas. Lane, the celebrated humorist, has been engaged to lecture at the opera house Friday night Jan. 6. See press notices elsewhere.

Rev. Richardson and family, and Mr. and Mrs. Aron Coffey spent a pleasant and enjoyable day with Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Nenney today.

Because the BUCKSKIN BREECHES are the best Jeans Pants made it's natural to expect they cost more than other pants. That's a mistake. They cost no more than common grades. They fit better, wear better, look better, than any other make. If these things count, they're the cheapest pants made.

Mrs. Clint Thompson and little daughters Marion and Katherine are spending Christmas with Rev. J. H. Wofford and family at Cale I. T.

Temperature to Fall 20 or 30 Degrees.

The following telegram was received this morning:

Galveston, Tex., Dec. 22, 1898.
—Cold wave. Temperature will fall twenty to thirty degrees by Thursday night. MOORE.

The Presbyterians held their first prayer meeting in the court house, last night, with excellent attendance.

The aligator's hide is no longer tough enough to resist Flordia hunters, and it is now proposed to enact a game law for his relief.

A ring around the moon is a sign of rain, and a plain ring around a woman's finger indicates more reign.

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Mrs. Chas. P. Heard has returned from Houston, after a two weeks' pleasant visit to her sister, Mrs. J. P. Galbreth.

County clerk Pat Moulden has issued sixtythree marriage licences this month and then there has been a number of run away marriages which will run the number for this immediate vicinity up at least to an averaga.

Walter B. Wilson of Company C, fourth Texas, whose interesting letters have appeared from time to time in the Democrat arrived home on a furlough today and is busy shaking hands with his many friends and telling them all about army life in general. We are all glad to see him among us again and gladly extend the hand of welcome.

Flag stone walks are being placed in front of the Bingham block on West La. street today, also in front of Mr. Lovejoy's home, and Mr. Furr, the contractor, informs us that he will be busy tomorrow putting in a simular one at Hon. Jim Gough's beautiful residence. Turn McKinney loose.

Two Poluted Questions Answered.

What is the use of making a better article than your competitor if you can not get a better price for it?

Ans.—As there is no difference in the price the public will buy only the better, so that while our profits may be smaller on a single sale they will much greater in the aggregate.

How can you get the public to know your make is the best?

If both articles are brought prominently before the public both are certain to be tried and the public will very quickly pass judgment on them and use only the better one.

This explains the large sale on Chamberlains Cough Remedy. The people have been using it for years and have found that it can always be depended upon. They may occasionally take up with some fashionable novelty put forth with exaggerated claims, but are certain to return to the one remedy that they know to be reliable, and for coughs colds and croup there is nothing equal to Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. For sale by City Drug Store.

We cordially invite our friends and the public to see us when wanting furniture, queensware, window shades, stoves or floor mattings.

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Christmas Offer.

Do you wish to attend College after the Holidays? If you do, attend HAWTHORNE COLLEGE McKinney, Texas.

Notice our offer to { Young Men ☞ $70.00 / Young Ladies ☞ 80.00 } Secures board, fuel, lights and tuition for six months.

Notice our offer to { Young Men ☞ $12.50 / Young Ladies ☞ $14.75 } Secures board, fuel, lights and tuition for one month.

What classes can you get? { Latin, Greek, French, German, English, History, Economics, Botany, Physics, Chemistry, Geology, Astronomy, Physiology, Pschology, Logic Moral Science, Arithmetic, Geometry, Trigonometry, Analytics, Calculus.

TEN TEACHERS.

Do you wish Music? Miss McCracken has now the most successful class ever taught in McKinney.

Prof. Landrum can teach you *real elocution*, but not "elocuting." You should take a course with him.

Miss Erwin's art class is doing some very interesting work, You should enter her class, if you are a lover of art.

225 students now enrolled in the various departments. Good literary societies. Excellent library. Fine apparatus. You can enter immediately after Christmas. Pay us a visit or send for catalogue to

G. L. MARSHALL, President,
J. H. NEWTON, Vice-President,
C. C. PERRIN, Treasurer.

The Board of Stewards of the Methodist church met last night at Dr. Caldwell's office for the purpose of fixing the pastors salary for the new year. All were present but one and after a pleasant discussion of the matter they unanimously fixed the salary at $1200 and would urge upon the membership monthly payments. The board also elected Miss Lula Allison as organist for another year.

At The Court.

In the case of the State against Mathew Chick, charged with aggravated assault and battery, the jury brought in a verdict this morning finding the defendant not guilty. The State against Jim Cutshaw, Tom Cutshaw, Chas Fletcher, Jess Hooper and Claud Hooper, charged with unlawful assembly, usually called whitecapping, was taken up and will probably go to the jury by sunset. The defendants in the case all live south of Farmersville. This case is bringing a number of people to the capitol today, though it is attracting but little attention outside of those who are connected with the case.

Prof. J. B. Dodson Promoted.

Word comes to us from Dallas that the city council of that city unanimously elected, last night, Prof. J. B. Dodson, whom everybody knows here to love and admire, superintendent of the Oak Cliff Public Schools for the period of two years with an increased salary. This proves what the people of Oak Cliff say, that they have never had such work in their schools before, such discipline, phenominal advancement and such astonishing achievements along every line. Everybody here will be glad to learn of Prof. Dodson's promotion, but we are not surprised and know it is no more than he deserves, and that he will make himself worthy of all favor and co-operation extended him is beyond any doubt.

Grand Clearing Sales at J. T. NALE'S

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We are going to reduce our immense stock of House Furnishing goods.

We like to have said that we were going to commence on Queensware, we are worse crowded in that department

We will just commence on what ever the people want.

When they come to our place we intend, in spite of competitors, cold weather and the Spanish war, to give more goods for less money than can be had at any other place, Our stock of

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Including the prettiest line of Holiday China, Vases, Bisque, and Cups and Saucers; the assortment is good.

Our Beautiful Decorated Lamps are the prettiest ever seen in McKinney. These goods are suitable for Holiday Presents and they are going to be sold, cost or no cost.

Our Stock of Glass ware is Complete

We have a nice line of of nickel plated copper goods. Our Tinware department is full. An excellent line of Table Cutlery. Granite Ironware of all kinds. Clocks.

Sausage Grinders, Grind stones,

Smooth Irons, Lanterns, Lamp Chimneys, Window Shades: Mattress Springs. Quilts, Comforts. Our bed room Suits are hard to surpass.

Our Stock of Bedsteads is Hard to Beat.

And when you strike our Rocking Chair department, we have them in 30 styles, and they are going to sell. Children's Chairs : Bureaus, Dressers Wash stands Ward robes, Folding Beds, Book cases, Extension tables, Plain Tables, Center tables, Boy's Wagons, Lard Cans.

And remember that we have the largest stock of Picture Molding Ever Seen in McKinney

And that we are better prepared to frame your pictures than anyone els and will frame them for about half price until January 1st.

We have a Second Hand Store apart from our new store which enables us to exchange new cook Stoves for second hand, and New Furniture for old or we will pay cash for all kinds of Second Hand Goods, and will fit you up for House Keeping for less money than any other place in North Texas. Remember the place, one door east of post office.

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We have just received a car load of Cook Stoves. All kinds of stove vessels, Wash Pots, &c, &c.

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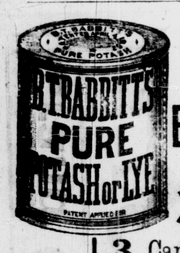

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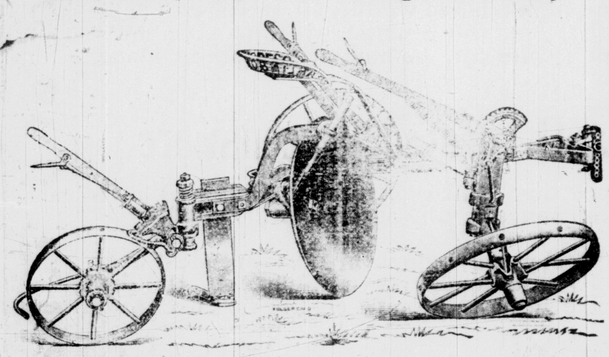

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The Light Plant Changes Hands.

E. W. Morton the affable and genial ice man has purchased the electic light plant of L. A. Scott who has had charge of the plant three months. Mr. Scott had just purchased a new dinamo and had it in operation when the deal was consumated. He was not satisfied with the business was the cause of the sale. The plant could have fallen in no better hands than those of Mr. Morton. His ententions are to buy a new boiler at once and make other necessary improvements which will meet with the approbation of every one. And McKinney can now depend upon a good system of light.

Riches may fly away, but a man's bald head always sees him through.

SECTIONALISM IS GONE FOREVER.

McKinley's visit Gave to the South an Opportunity to Express Itself.

THE SPANISH WAR MADE THE CHANGE.

Peace Jubilee at Atlanta Welds the South and North In Friendship Beyond Separation.

PRESIDENT AT THE CONFEDERATE CAPITOL

In This Old Building President McKinley Was Received With Loyalty and Greeted as Was Jefferson Davis.

Savannah, Dec. 19.—The visit of the president and his party to Savannah closed last night after two days of remarkable displays of enthusiasm. Although yesterday was supposed to be a day of rest the president attended two public functions and received ovations. But far above the importance of all receptions to the president since he passed south of the ones Mason and Dixon's line, is the fact that the origional object of President McKinley's visit has been entirely lost sight of. The unprecedented outbursts of loyalty to the union have completely overshadowed the rejoicing over the peace with Spain though participation in the latter was the purpose of the president's southward trip. To throughly explain what is going on in the south today it is necessary to not only record the continuous enthusiasm and hospitable receptions, but also to recount the causes that have made the trip so remarkable.

In all the speeches and in the demonstrations which have marked the president's visit to Atlanta, Tuskegee, Montgomery and Savannah there has been the tacit admission that the war with Spain was the great factor in achieving the result, but it is to the result and not to the factor that the chief trend of speech making and the enthusiasm has lent itself. Political influences seem to play no part in the reception of President McKinley. On all sides there is an eagerness to publicly express the loyalty of the southern states and to admit that the war with Spain not only helped to weld the compact of the sections, but gave to the south the opportunity to express sentiments of loyalty that have long lived, but which have lacked opportunity of expression, and this has been done chiefly by Democrats, many of whom fought for the stars and bars and to all of whom the name of Davis is a sacred memory.

The frank references to, and the discussion of the civil war have led to many delicate situations that were only saved from becoming irritating dilemmas by the fact of a president who fought against southern troops, or by the graceful utterances of the Confederates who, years ago, opposed him on the battle field. The marvelous scenes of an audience in the old Confederate capitol cheering the stars and stripes until they grew hoarse; of Confederate veterans struggling to grasp the hand of a northern Republican president; of Gen. Wheeler leading the people of his state in cheers for William McKinley in the place where Jefferson Davis once urged the south to fight for separation, are all redeemed from the suspicion of fulsomeness or the faint praise of politicians by the blunt truthfulness of the men who led in these new and tremendously fervent declarations of loyalty.

Scarcely a speaker or a paper in Alabama or Georgia has made reference to the president without mentioning on every occasion his tribute to the Confederate dead. A distinguished southerner said:

"There have been many reunions of the north and south on paper and in speeches. These were well meant, but they signified little, because neither side had given in to the other on the principles that they fought over. This suggestion of the president's to care for our dead is the first practicable evidence given to the south that the north really means what it says, and it touched our hearts more than we can say. Coming as it does upon the heels of the war with Spain which gave to the south the chance to prove her loyalty, this utterance of the president enables us to say not only are we true to the Union, but for the first time that we love it."

This utterance presents a host of public and private speeches that have been made since the arrival of the presidential party in the south. It is the concensus of various opinions expressed by state officers and citizens of Georgia and Alapama, and nearly all of whom are opposed to the president in politics, but who have welcomed him in his capacity of chief executive and who have given vent to wild enthusiasm over his utterances regarding the Confederate dead. In this way what was planned to be a celebration of the peace with Spain has become almost entirely a genuine practical ratification of the peace between north and south, epoch making in its significance, thrilling in its details and pathetic in the countless memories that it awakens.

Wants to Borrow In America.

Washington, Dec. 19.—Japan and Russia want to borrow here. Japan is probably preparing for the ultimate struggle with Russia.

[illegible] Territory.

Washington, Dec. 19.—Nicaragua will cede territory for the canal. The commission's report will give $100,000,000 as the maximum cost of the canal.

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Rouse the Liver

Cure Sick Headache, Biliousness, Sour Stomach, and Constipation. Sold everywhere, 25c. per box.

NO BUSINESS NOW AT HAVANA.

Merchants Waiting For the Departure of the Spanish to Begin Anew.

RESTING FOR THE GOOD TIMES.

They Believe the Occupation of the Island by the United States Will Bring Prosperity.

MANY SPANIARDS WILL RETURN TO CUBA.

Especially Will Officers Leave Spain as Soon as They Get There and Secure Their Discharge From the Spanish Army.

New York, Dec. 19.—A dispatch to The Tribune from Havana says: Havana is at the half way stage between the departure of the Spaniards and the coming of the Americans. The city looks lonesome. It is not desolate because hopefulness and desolation do not go together, and everybody is hopeful of the future. Trade is not brisk because outside of breadstuffs there are no importations. That will be changed as soon the new tariff goes into effect. In the retail districts occupied by the middleclasses a fair amount of business is done.

A walk through those sections shows more activity than there was two months ago. This is due to the return of so many Cuban families. In what would be called the shopping district of the city, such as Obispo street, which is the Fifth Avenue of Havana, nothing is doing. Nevertheless the Spanish shopkeepers are complacent. They prefer a period of dullness for a single reason. The families of the Spanish officers and officials were customers but were not good pay. The tradesman dreaded their patronage and sought to evade it as much as possible. Neither were the Cubans good pay, but credit could be refused them without fear of the consequences. The Americans are coming; they are at the present time good customers and good pay. So the shopkeeper is content with the present dullness in his trade.

The city feels the departure of so many Spanish families in a way. They helped to give it life. A few weeks ago it was almost impossible to rent a house in any respectable quarter of the city. Cubans, chiefly professional men returning from their exile in the United States and Europe, has leased them. Now in the suburbs the number of houses which are closed and barred gives these places the appearance of a deserted town. They have been occupied by both military and civil officials who are returning to Spain.

The deserted appearance will not last long. American officers whose duties will keep them in Havana for some time and who have been looking in vain for homes will take advantage of the opportunity as will a number of business men from the United States who are likely to change a short stay into a period of permanent residence. Some of the Spanish officers are anxious to secure their discharges and return to Cuba. They have property which they do not want to sacrifice. It would not do to inquire too closely how they come possessed of it. That was under the system by which they all profited. As Spain will not have need of a large army in the future it is presumed that their officers will succeed in procuring their discharges. Some of them have Carlist connections and this will be an additional reason for enabling them to return to Cuba.

The civilian classes who are going back to Spain are taking their property with them or are arranging to have it converted into cash and forwarded to them. They have plucked it to the last feather and all of them return rich.

When the details of the Spanish evacuation were first arranged some anxiety was felt lest a large number of Spanish commercial and industrial classes should also repatriate themselves. This fear has not been realized. Whatever doubts that Spanish business men may have had about the security of life and property under the new order were quickly dissipated.

That a vacuum exists in Havana is a potent fact. More people are going out than are likely to come in for many months. The rottenness of the Spanish military methods could be judged during the insurrection by the great number of officers who were always in Havana on staff duty. The disproportion to those who in any circumstances were seeing active service in the field was marked. Since the officers have gone the void created by their departure gives even a stronger impression of their numbers. They were literally the only class of the population which was too numerous to be counted. The American garrison will be kept out of Havana. American officers will not be quartered in the city and spread over it like a cloud of locusts.

Police Plan For Havana.

Havana, Dec. 19.—Captain McCullagh, former chief of police of New York City, has reported to General Greene a police plan for Havana on the same basis as that of New York, but modified by local conditions. The force will amount to 1000 men.

NEWS IN BRIEF.

Burglars at Josie, Ala., killed Mrs. Ida Meyers and her daughter-in-law, Mrs. E. Meyers, both widows, fatally injured a hired man, and after robbing the house of $800 set fire to the building.

Tom Pines, who was shot at Winsboro, Tex., on Dec. 4, died of his injuries.

Rebellious cadets at the Kentucky Normal college at Lexington, made an attempt to lynch the commander.

Milton Jackson was fatally shot at College Station, Tex., by Dallas Brown. Both are negroes.

Smallpox is epidemic at Agnes, Ark.

The cruiser Cincinnati, struck a rock outside the harbor of Santiago, but was not seriously damaged.

Ray Pennington, a boy had both legs cut off by a train at Howard, Tex.

Manross Buck was crushed to death while loading logs on a train at Glimer, Tex.

Jake Hill was killed on the plains north of Guthrie, Tex., by B. B. Ray. Ray [illegible]

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WRECK IN INDIANA.

Train Leaves the Track, Killing One Person and Injuring Eight.

Indianapolis, Dec. 19.—A wreck occurred on the Indiana, Decatur and Western railroad yesterday about 50 miles west of Indianapolis, near Guion station. The Indianapolis express, east bound, left the track west of a high trestle and passed over the trestle, which is 60 feet long with seven coaches off the rails and bumping along on the ties. The trestle is 50 feet high and it is considered phenomenal that the train was not hurled into the creek.

The rear car had just left the trestle when a spreading of the rails ahead of the baggage car threw the seven cars into a heap. The baggage and smoker were ground almost into splinters and all of the cars were badly wrecked. There were about 50 passengers on the train, and not a woman or child in the list. It is claimed the train was running nearly 60 miles an hour to make up lost time.

T. M. Wells, superintendent of schools of Douglass county, Kansas, was killed and eight persons injured, but none believed to be seriously.

Dismiss Reported Tales.

San Francisco, Dec. 19.—The Chinese consul general in this city in an interview said: "We have had no official notification of any changes whatever which have occurred in the conduct of our empire, but the very fact of absence of any such advice appears to us as conclusive that the emperor is still sovereign, and the tales afloat which represent him as impotent and powerless with the scepter wrested by violence from his hands are without any basis." The consul general declares the dowager empress is not opposed to progress, and states the consulate here has just received orders looking to the establishment of a complete system of education for Chinese.

Killed By Lynchers.

New Boston, Tex., Dec. 19.—Saturday Sheriff Ed Lynch arrested a negro by the name of Nute Moore, charged with criminal assault upon a white woman near De Kalb. Sheriff Lynch had his prisoner at the depot to take the train from De Kalb to this place for safe keeping when the husband of the lady and several men came to the depot and demanded the prisoner. The officer refused, expressed his determination to protect his prisoner at all hazards and the party left. Just before the train arrived at 6 p. m. [illegible] shots were fired from Winchesters through the windows of the depot waiting room, killing the negro instantly. The parties doing the shooting are not known.

Opened Biscuits With Spikes.

Kokomo, Ind., Dec. 19.—The officers here arrested a stranger who on being searched, displayed a lot of suspicious looking tools. Thinking he might be the Fiora bank robber, the officers locked him up. The tools found on him consisted of jimmies and chisels formed of railroad spikes. He denied using them for safebreaking and convulsed the court and spectator by explaining that he carried the spikes for opening the biscuits given him by young ladies of the city. He illustrated by pulling a hard biscuit out of his pocket and cracking it open with the spike in the same manner as opening oyster shells. He was released.

MORE KISSES FOR HOBSON.

One Hundred and Sixty-Three Chicago Girls Greet the Hero With Kisses.

Chicago, Dec. 19.—Lieutenant Richmond P. Hobson was heavily bombarded by a large fleet of kissing girls at the Auditorium last night. Lieut. Hobson lectured on the sinking of the Merrimac under the auspices of the Chicago Press club, and after the lecture the members of the audience pressed forward and gave him an impromptu reception. There was much hand shaking and applause, but more interesting than either were 163 kisses given the Merrimac's hero by as many girls. The lieutenant stood the attack bravely, and seemed to have encouraged it. He left for Kansas City after the lecture, where he will speak tonight.

Don't Want Any Color Line.

Chicago, Dec. 19.—W. E. Henderson, the negro lawyer, who with his wife and five children was driven out of Wilmington, N. C., by the recent riots there, told the story of the uprising at the First Methodist church. At the close of the meeting Rev. Jenkins Lloyd Jones presented a set of resolutions which were adopted unanimously deprecating discrimination in trade, politics, or religion on account of the color line in the north or south. A copy of the resolutions will be sent to President McKinley.

Nearly Wiped Out.

Savannah, Dec. 19.—Nearly the whole of the business part of Lufkin was burned Saturday night. An oil lamp in a boardinghouse exploded. The Masonic hall and ten stores were destroyed and a mill and a large lumber mill were burned.

A Happy Marriage.

Yesterday at the home of the bride's parents, near Rhea Mills, Mr. George Moore and Miss P. Williams were united in the holy bonds of matrimony, surrounded by a few friends and relatives. The contracting parties are prominent young people of Collin, Miss Williams being an accomplished and beautiful young lady of the community in which she lives, and the groom, Mr. Moore is well known in McKinney, having lived here all his life. The Courier extends hearty congratulations and wishes for them a life of love and joy and peace forever.

At the Court.

The County court got down to business this morning when the witnesses in the Click case arrived. The style of the case is "The State of Texas against Mathew Click," who is charged with aggravated assault and battery. At noon today the witnesses were being examined and probably before sunset the case will go to the jury. There are two or three more criminal cases to be tried this week, when the civil docket will be taken up. Everything about the capital is quiet today and the court is progressing nicely. After the week's hard freeze the water piping about the capitol has thawed out and the water works are again in good shape.

The Owl Club.

Although the weather was gloomy and threatening, last Friday afternoon at 3 o'clock the Owls met at the hospitable home of Mrs. J. L. Greer. Roll call was responded to with quotations from Dickens, which were good and well selected. Mrs. Beverly conducted the book review on "the tale of two cities," in her usual entertaining and affable manner. A splendid feature of the afternoon was an instrumental duet by Mesdames Smith and Lovejoy. Charming refreshments were served, and while the day was dark and dreary out, inside this beautiful home all was warmth, comfort and pleasure. The Owls seemed to enjoy the occasion to the fullest extent. Miss Nannie Greer and Mrs. Jim Wiley were the guest of the evening and every one enjoyed their presence. After an afternoon of genuine delight and pleasure, the club adjourned to meet with Mrs. J. L. Lovejoy Jan. 6th, 1899.

At The Churches.

It did not rain any during the day yesterday, and at one time early in the morning looked as though the clouds would break up and go away, but soon they gathered again and all day long was dark and dreary and the heavy rains of the preceeding days made the streets and side walks fearful. Yet at the usual hour the church bells pealed out their celestial chimes, and the Sunday schools and noon services were attended at all the churches as good as could be expected. Rev. Richardson, at the Presbyterian church, had very good congregations morning and evening and preached two strong and able sermons. Hencceforeh services will be held at the court house. At the Methodist church Rev. Casey pleased his congregations with eloquent and logical sermons that one and all seem to enjoy. Eld. Hallam had a fair congregation at the morning service but at the evening service the congregation was light. At the Baptist church Dr. King preached two splendid sermons to very good congregation. At the C. P. church all the services were as usual. The Methodist and Baptist churches are preparing to have Christmas trees next Saturday evening. It is not known yet whether the other churches will have trees.

Will Hill returned Saturday from St. Louis, where he bought a nice line of phaetons, carriages, road wagons and buggies and paid spot cash for them, so if you need anything in their line it will pay you to wait for their work as it is up to date in style, price and finish and fully guaranteed.

GETTING READY

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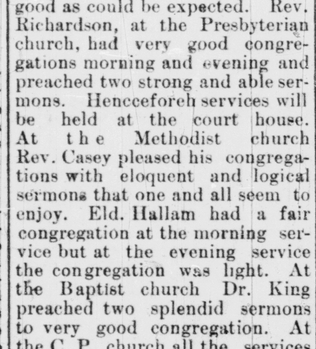

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A Tinge of Romance.

Several days since in response to cupid's curious calls, Mr. Joe Haley and Miss Carrie Nelson two prominent young people of our city quietly left their homes and went to South McAlister, I. T. where they were happily married. They returned home yesterday when they received the congratulation and well wishes of their many friends. The Courier joins in extending congratulations and best wishes for a long life of peace and happiness.

How to Spend Christmas.

Make it an occasion of gratitude to God for the gift of his Son; an occasion of innocent, pure and elevating pleasure and past-time; an occasion of thoughtful, kind and unselfish ministration to the pleasure, hapiness and profit of others. Seek by conversations, social intercourse and every act to further the pure, enabling and saving teachings of Jesus Christ. Let the day and the Christmas season be spent as Christmas should and not as heathens would. Remember the words of the Apostle "Let us therefore cast off the works of darkness, and let us put on the armour of light. Let us walk decently, as in the day; not in rioting and drunkenness, not in chambering and wantonous, not in strife and enveying. Put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make not provision for the flesh, to fulfil the lusts thereof." Rom. XIII. W. H. R.

A Magnificent Donation.

As founder and representative of Buckner Orphans Home I desire to speak through McKinney papers, especially, concerning the very liberal assistance on the part of prominent, good citizens of Collin Co. resulting in magnificent donations to this institution the breadth of whose charity is not circumscribed by sectional lines. Last May on a steamer visiting Old Point Comfort Va, where lay the grand old Flying Squadron, in waiting to pull out for battle with the Spanish fleet I mentioned to my excellent friend J. P. Crouch of McKinney the fact that the home was needing one hundred iron beds. His reply was to the effect that it should have them—It now has them and two hundred chairs, all the result of the liberality of Bro. Crouch the Baptist church of McKinney and other friends and brethern and sisters of course of that city and Collin Co. The beds are nice, white enameled iron rude mattresses and the chairs are here. This acknowledgement would have been made sooner but for our much absence from home and great press of work. To brother Crouch to Sarah Webb and Mrs. M. W. Garnett and all who take any part in giving and soliciting are profoundly grateful.

In this connection I feel it to be a very pleasant duty to mention the name of another excellent citizen of Collin county one of the best friends and helpers of this institution, Mr. E. W. Kirkpatrick. He has been active and liberal in securing an orchard of 7,000 fruit trees for the Home, and annually as a committeeman under appointment of the State Horticultural society he visits the home and inspects the orchard. His visits are always hailed with delight, as have been those of Decon J. P. Crouch and of others from McKinney.

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